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Item 2 of the provisional agenda*
Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

Proposed organization of work**

Note by the Secretariat

The proposed organization of work for the seventh session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues was prepared by the secretariat of the Permanent Forum in consultation with members of the Permanent Forum.

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** The submission of the present report was delayed in order to ensure the inclusion of the most recent information.

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Date/time	*Agenda item/programme*	
First week		
Monday, 21 April		
11 a.m.-1 p.m.		Opening of the session
	Item 1	Election of officers
	Item 2	Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
	Item 3	Special theme: "Climate change, biocultural diversity and livelihoods: the stewardship role of indigenous peoples and new challenges" • Annual report of the Inter-Agency Support Group • Paper on the impact of climate change mitigation measures on the territories and lands of indigenous peoples
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	Item 3	(*continued*) Dialogue with agencies
Tuesday, 22 April		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	Item 3	(*continued*) Dialogue with indigenous peoples
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	Item 3	(*continued*) Dialogue with Governments
Wednesday, 23 April		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.		Closed meeting
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	Item 6	Half-day discussion on the Pacific
Thursday, 24 April		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	Item 4	Implementation of the recommendations on the six mandated areas of the Permanent Forum and on the Millennium Development Goals: (a) Economic and social development • Follow-up paper on oil palm and other commercial tree plantations, monocropping: impacts on indigenous peoples' land tenure and resource management systems and livelihoods • Papers on indigenous peoples and relevant thematic issues relating to sustainable development (b) Environment • Paper on the relevant principles contained in the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, taking into account the provisions of ILO Convention No. 169 that relate to indigenous land tenure and management arrangements, to assist indigenous peoples, States and United Nations agencies in negotiating indigenous land tenure and management arrangements

Date time	*Agenda item programme*	
		(c) Health
		(d) Education
		(e) Culture
		(f) Human rights
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	Item 7	Half-day discussion on indigenous languages • Report of the international expert group meeting on indigenous languages (E/C.19/2008/3)
Friday, 25 April		
No meetings (Orthodox Easter)		
Second week		
Monday, 28 April		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	Item 5	Human rights: dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people and other special rapporteurs
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	Item 5	(*continued*) • Study on the structures, procedures and mechanisms that currently exist or that might be established to effectively address the human rights situation of indigenous peoples (E/C.19/2008/2)
Tuesday, 29 April		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	Item 5	(*continued*)
3 p.m.-6 p.m.		Closed meeting
Wednesday, 30 April		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	Item 8	Ongoing priorities and themes and follow-up: (a) Indigenous children and youth (b) Second International Decade of the World's Indigenous People (c) Urban indigenous peoples and migration
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	Item 9	Future work of the Permanent Forum, including emerging issues • Paper on customary laws pertaining to indigenous traditional knowledge and indigenous customary laws
Thursday, 1 May		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	Item 9	(*continued*)
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	Item 10	Draft agenda for the eighth session of the Permanent Forum

Date time	*Agenda item programme*	
Friday, 2 May		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	Item 11	Adoption of the report of the Permanent Forum on its seventh session
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	Item 11	(*continued*)
		Closing of the session